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LUNCHEON

THURSDAY, June 19 ----- Toots Shor's, 51 West 51st Street.
Cocktails at 12 Noon ----- Luncheon at 12:30 PM sharp.
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WHAT'S NEW IN NICARAGUA

by

HIS EXCELLENCY ANASTASIO SOMOZA,
President of the Republic of Nicaragua

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Central American "strong man", friend of the United States and a baseball lover, "Tacho" Somoza, as he is familiarly known, has accepted the Club's invitation to be guest of honor at its luncheon next Thursday.

American-educated President Somoza rose to power in Nicaragua after President Roosevelt withdrew the Marines in 1936, and has run the country ever since. But Somoza is no ordinary caudillo; freedom of press and expression flourishes in Nicaragua. An active political opposition exists, too, but it has never beaten Somoza at the polls. President Somoza is now en route home after major surgery at a Boston Clinic.

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HONG KONG DATELINE: (Special to The Bulletin by EDWARD HUNTER)--IRENE KUHN, fresh from her latest book success, now gathering material for a new one about the Philippines; in Hong Kong for a couple of weeks of news-gathering. BOB NEVILLE has been showing her around...Hank Lieberman is arranging a lunch for his publisher, Arthur Hays Sulzberger,

the end of June...The Fred Hampsons have moved into the Foreign Correspondents' Club, 41A Conduit Road. Other residents include Jack James (UP) and Marshall Stayner, young American publisher of Orient magazine...Frank Robertson (Christian Science Monitor) and his livewire photographer wife have settled down in a house at Deep Water Bay...Earl Selle, sightless correspondent, whose wife and three children are with him, came in on the S. S. "President Cleveland," intends to stay a couple of years, free-lancing. They're house hunting...DOAK BARNETT is leaving USIS; rumor has it he's returning to journalism...Socialist leader Norman Thomas addressed correspondents at a press lunch; declared that only about 2,000 communists, professionally manipulated, pulled off the entire May 1 demonstrations in Japan, cleverly taking advantage of crowds that can be drawn to anything in teeming Asian communities...EDWARD HUNTER is leaving for Burma for several weeks of newsgathering.

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SINGLE ROOM FOR RENT: Washington Square Section, private entrance, private bath. Clean, quiet, (Beautyrest mattress.) Available July 1st. May be seen in daytime. Telephone: GRamercy 5-2134. Norma Babcock.

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ELSA MAXWELL didn't invite "Paris--and People" (N.Y.Herald Tribune, Paris Edition) columnist Art Buchwald to her party last year, and Art complained bitterly at the time to his public... seems ELSA's throwing another lavish shindig and, despite an afternoon's wooing and a promise to forgive and forget, Buchwald's not going to this season's party either...Buchwald parked next to ELSA in the lobby of the Paris Ritz, watched a long line of Social Scions pay respects and get invited, waited for the magic words; when they never came, went home to weep over his typewriter...says ELSA told him: "You know, I never invite the press to my parties. I'd never subject my guests to newspaper people. I don't think it's right." Guess ELSA's about the ONLY person in Paris who doesn't automatically invite Buchwald to everything...(Watching for MAXWELL's answering column soon...)

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RADIO NOTES: WILLIAM (BILL) BERNs producing his new radio program "Time Capsule" over ABC network starting Sunday, June 22, 7:30--8:00 p.m.; Arthur Van Horn narrating...

FOR RADIO AUDIENCES, 2000 AD: BERNs seeks interesting stories, statements, facts about our life and times to be recorded for audiences 100 years from now....

Write: c/o ABC, 7 West 66th Street, New York City ...

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The Overseas Press Club records with regret the death of member GERALDINE SARTAIN's mother, who passed away after a long illness on June 2, in Sacramento, Calif.

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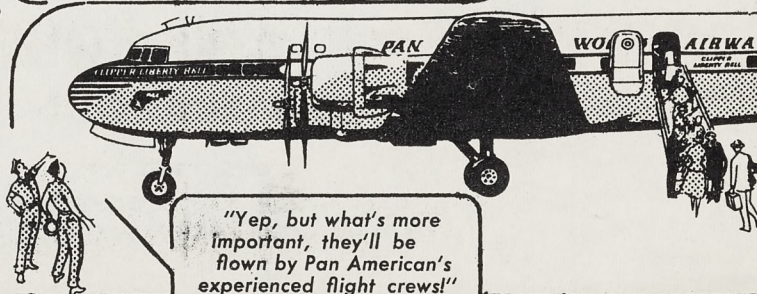
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CLUB CALENDAR

Board of Governors meeting Clubrooms Wednesday, June 18 at 5:30 PM
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CORRESPONDENTS FUND ELECTS OFFICERS

The annual meeting of the Correspondents Fund, held June 6, elected the following officers: OTTO TOLISCHUS, President; EDWARD R. MURROW, LLOYD STRATTON, RICHARD DE ROCHEMONT, Vice-Presidents; JOSEPH WURZEL, Secretary, CLYDE E. BROWN, Assistant Secretary; LUCIAN S. KIRTLAND, Treasurer, A. WILFRED MAY, Assistant Treasurer. New members elected to the Board of Trustees are: JOHN BARKHAM, DICKSON HARTWELL, MARY HORNADAY, WILLIAM P. GRAY, SANFORD GRIFFITH, PATRICIA LOCHRIDGE, CLIFFORD J. STARK.

The treasurer reported that the amount paid out slightly exceeded income during the past year. Receipts came from Club activities.

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: NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS :
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ACTIVE: John Roy Carlson (pen name of Arthur A. Derounian): United Nations World, Pageant, and photographer for European Picture Service; England, Germany, Italy, Greece, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Israel, Cyprus, continuously from April, 1947 to June, 1949 (excepting Oct., Nov., Dec., 1947). Proposed by GEROLD FRANK, seconded by WAMBLY BALD.

Mary Johnson Tweedy: Time, Inc.; India, August 1944 to February 1946; Scandinavia, June through October, 1939. Proposed by WILLIAM P. GRAY, seconded by DON BURKE.

Drew Middleton: Chief correspondent in Germany, N. Y. Times; Britain, France, Low Countries, Iceland--AP, April 1939 to September, 1942; French North Africa, Sicily, Britain, France, Russia, Germany, N. Y. Times, September 1942 to present. Proposed by HERBERT MATTHEWS, seconded by EMANUEL R. FREEDMAN.

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Completing the list of committee appointments for this year, PRESIDENT WILLIAM P. GRAY named: DON BURKE, Awards; JERRY HANNIFIN, Inter-American Relations; Re-appointments: DAVID ZINGG, Placement; DANIEL VAN ACKER, Hospitality to Foreign Journalists; HAL LEHRMAN, Lecture; MATTHEW HUTTNER, Radio and TV.

ATTENTION--ALL OPC MEMBERS! INSURANCE PLAN NEEDS ONLY 16 MORE TO GO!

The OPC Insurance Plan is set to go into effect July 1--IF--16 more members sign up. Forms and explanatory letters have gone out to everyone, and the plan has the backing of club officers. Those participating will benefit both by low cost and broad coverage. All members considering this addition to their insurance program are urged to SEND IN THE ENROLLMENT BLANK NOW! For any additional information, contact the Plan Administrator, Carl J. Lundgren, Rector 2-4223.

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NORWOOD ALLMAN, chairman (pro tem, he insists) of the 1953 Dinner Committee, is up-dating the OPC Special Invitation List for next year's guests. ALLMAN requests members to send lists of names and addresses of persons to be included in the guest list to the Club offices starting immediately, so that the list may be built all during the year. Part of this project is the collection of names and addresses of members' guests at the weekly lunches.

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COMING EVENTS: GEORGE W. HERALD's just getting settled at new ONA Paris base, 85 rue Michel-Ange...writes: "Expecting another little Herald for September; it's easier than producing articles..."

LARRY BLOCHMAN's latest thriller, "Recipe for Homicide", to be published July 16 (J.B. Lippincott)...BLOCHMAN's previous scientific aides to insomnia include "Rather Cool for Mayhem" and other Dr. Coffee mysteries; also sizzling translation of "Caroline Cherie" faithfully recorded from the French original...

JOE ROSAPEPE elected secretary-treasurer of World Trade Writers Ass'n, a group of business and financial writers specializing in foreign trade...DON ROBINSON's new book: "The 100 Most Important People in the World Today" came out twice this week--Little, Brown edition and Cardinal 35¢ reprints hit bookstores and newsstands...

KATHLEEN CANNELL doing pieces for the Christian Science Monitor on a plush Boston-to-Paris Fashion-Ad Safari, a guided tour to French glamour spots...Christian Dior heads the reception committee...OPC members joining in France include DORA MILLER, HORTENSE MACDONALD, FLORENCE GILLIAM...OPC'ers interested in packaged flight via Air France leaving July 26...special rate contact KITTY CANNELL, 398 Marlborough St., Boston, Mass., pronto!...Jean Letourneau, French Cabinet Minister for Indo-China, gave N.Y. press conference June 11, now conferring with Washington officials...HAYNES "TOMMY" THOMPSON, ex-UP Paris, reports: "left the newspaper business for the time being, joining father and brother in the phosphate business in Montgomery, Ala. ... decision was one of mind, not heart...new daughter, Meta Kristina, born January 28 in Montgomery, doing fine"...JACK LE VIEN, news editor, Pathe News, covering maiden voyage of S. S. "United States", then on to Helsinki to direct newsreel coverage of the Olympic games, July and August...Two newsreel pools covering the Olympics: one formed by Russia and satellite countries, the other a pool of cameramen to be drawn from American, French, British, Italian and Dutch newsreel companies to work under LE VIEN's direction.

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LETTERS TO) LEW SEBRING, JR., Schenectady, N.Y. (ex-N.Y. Herald Tribune): "...an important correction in the excellent list of correspondents who died on war service (The Bulletin, May 30): The man listed as Darnten Byron should be Byron Darnton, affectionately known to everyone as "Barney" Darnton, N.Y. Times. I was a pall-bearer at his funeral (he was killed by shrapnel) in New Guinea in 1942...P.S. Congratulations on keeping up the high standard of The Bulletin, eagerly looked for by expatriates like myself."...And from RICHARD THOMAS, N.Y. Times Radio Desk: "Congratulations to RUTH LLOYD and MARY HORNADAY on their swell Bulletin"...Ed. Note: Thanks for the kudos; we aren't printing the brickbats this week, no space.

Maj. GEORGE FIELDING ELIOT, MBS military expert, featured on "War Front--Home Front" N.Y. broadcast June 9...Dr. Ordway Tead, author, teacher, editor, lecturer (Chairman of the Board of Higher Education) layman speaker on MBS "Faith In Our Time" broadcast...BILL COSTELLO, CBS White House correspondent, covering Harry S. Truman's Kansas trip...Wells Church promoted to Director of News and Public Affairs at CBS...EDWARD R. MURROW covered Eisenhower's Abilene home-coming for CBS...Landrum Bolling, MARY HORNADAY, LARRY LESEUER, WINSTON BURDETT, DAVE SCHOENBRUN, RUTH LLOYD, JOHN DALY, RED MUELLER, BOB CONSIDINE, Ed Morgan, Alistair Cook amongst correspondents covering Eisenhower N.Y. press conference...

"MARK FÜR MARK PONTIAC IST NICHT ZU SCHLAGEN"



THERE'S SOME DIFFERENCE OF
OPINION HOW YOU SAY THIS
IN GERMAN - BUT IN AMERICA
EVERYBODY ALWAYS SAYS -

DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR YOU
CAN'T BEAT A PONTIAC!

GLOBE TROTTERS--ED HUNTER due in U.S. from Hong Kong soon for a two-month home leave to see editors and lecture...HUNTER'S "Brain-Washing in Red China" is being translated into several Asian languages, with a new, expanded conclusion written especially for those countries...Writes HUNTER: "...brain-washing is now part of the American language--I've put it into dictionaries, I expect!"...DOROTHY THOMPSON back from a seven-weeks tour of all the nations of the Middle East on a good-will mission for the American Friends of the Middle East, of which she is president. MARTY BURSTEN off to Europe and Africa in July to do a series for the Bridgeport Herald...Marty's wife going along this time...DANIEL L. SCHORR flying back to Holland June 15 after six weeks in U.S. during which he did three broadcasts for CBS, put in some time on the N.Y. Times desk, visited editors of the Christian Science Monitor in Boston and caught up with family and friends...NOLA LUXFORD off to Mexico after staging 59 fashion shows in 36 weeks at the Hotel Pierre, completing assignments for Compton's Encyclopedia and filing copy to New Zealand...

JIM SCHEUER in Arizona and New Mexico with Presidential candidate Averell Harriman, as "general leg man" arranging press, radio, speaking dates...CECIL BROWN spoke in Chicago June 10 and to a Pittsburgh U.J.A. group June 11...LEE PITT, Houston Press, at the OPC lunch for Mme. Mesta during his vacation in N.Y.C. ...RALPH JULES FRANTZ, N.Y. Herald Tribune Telegraph Editor and wife left June 6 for a one-month motor trip to Colorado...ELISEVA SAYERS' "Do You Speak English Or American?" in Canadian Home Journal's June issue; 3,000-word piece on slang reveals some current American "innovations" or "idioms" hark back 200 to 300 years in Britain, still listed in Oxford English Dictionary as slang!...Allen Raymond's "Press Freedom vs. Army Regulations" will appear in June 24 issue of The Reporter, which will also carry Lee Judge's provocative piece: "Correspondents in Korea--Safety and Frustration"...

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BOB CONSIDINE, star writer for INS, won the 1951 Lasker Medical Journalism award for "outstanding reporting on medical research and public health in the newspaper field" for his six articles, "How Soon Can We Conquer Cancer?"...A similar award went to Albert Q. Maisel, free lance writer in the magazine field...CONSIDINE's weekly NBC network show "On The Line", Tuesdays, 10:45 pm, just renewed through the summer...BOB reports the three twenty-car press trains at Abilene, Kansas, developed into a small community of big-name newsmen, tucked away in the dirty railroad yards outside town, each with his own bed-drawing room, air-conditioned; plenty of community spirit, but "over-the-fence borrowing consisted of such un-housewifely items as gin, whiskey, etc. ...nightly bull sessions and drinking parties between the three trains...wives, if any, stayed out of the way..."

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Mrs. Perle Mesta, whose fame as a fabulous party-giver became international when she moved her base to the Luxembourg Embassy, came home to tell Americans some diplomatic facts of life. At the OPC's Toots Shor luncheon June 4, Mrs. Mesta began her talk-significantly titled "Friendship Is a Two-Way Street" by apologizing in advance for violating "one of the first principles of being a proper guest...to make my hosts uncomfortable!" The way to have friends is to be friendly, Mrs. Mesta said, and declared that she has become "increasingly unhappy during her visit in the U.S. over our growing feeling of impatience and irritation with our friends overseas." Appreciating that in this election year much of it is "campaign oratory", Mrs. Mesta pointed out: "But it distresses me that it should be considered good campaign oratory to berate and belittle our friends."

"No matter what happens in November," Mrs. Mesta declared, "this country needs the friendship of free Europeans. We simply must have their friendships! I'm not saying we shouldn't talk, or criticize. But, at least, let's be objective--constructive, not destructive. This haphazard throwing of verbal brickbats at the English--the French--the Italians--is dangerous. And stupid!"

"I'm speaking not as a diplomat--as Madame Minister--but as an American citizen vitally and deeply concerned in maintaining the bonds between the nations of the North American community...Our very survival is involved. NATO nations, their dominions and colonies, are vital sources of supply for our essential industries...For example, the U.S. is deficient in such basic industrial materials as copper, lead, zinc, aluminum. Our friends of NATO supply our needs...Alone, the U.S. could not support itself as an industrial nation."

Laying aside her prepared talk, Mme. Minister handled a lively question period with zest and skill. She said she's been Minister to Luxembourg for three years, and "I'm willing to stay at my job no matter who's President--if he'll let me!" Gets a kick when, at her monthly G.I. parties, the boys yell: "Perle! How do you want us to vote?"..."I'm not going to pretend I don't enjoy being Madame Minister" Mrs. Mesta told a questioner; but "it isn't always a bed of roses!"

Sharing head table honors were the OPC's new roster of committee heads, introduced by President WILLIAM P. GRAY, MATT HUTTNER, CORNELIUS J. RYAN, BRUNO SHAW, DON BURKE, JOHN BARKHAM, RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., PAT LOCHRIDGE, RUSS ANDERSON, JERRY HANNIFIN, NORWOOD ALLMAN, LEN SMITH. GRAY noted the absence of HELEN ZOTOS and BERT BRANDT, and introduced a special guest, Mrs. George Polk.

Guest Book--NORMA BABCOCK, JOSEPH PETERS, ABEL BANOV, WILLIAM A. BERNIS, TED BERNSTEIN, BETTY BETZ, Charles Brown & Newsweekers, MARTY BURSTEN, LUTHER CONANT, Jr., KATHRYN CRAVENS, JEWEL de BONILLA, JO DINE, ELIZABETH FAGG, THEO FINDAHL, (Mrs. Agnethe Tryde, Copenhagen, guest), GERALDINE FITCH, GEROLD FRANK, EMANUEL FREEDMAN, BELLA FROMM, LILLIAN G. GENN, FRANK GIBNEY, GORDON HAMILTON, ZANDER HOLIANDER, MARY HORNADAY, JEAN JAFFE, (Senior Chaplain J. L. Goldberg and Capt. John L. McCormick, chief PRO, 3rd Naval District, guests), CHARLES GILLETT, RUTH LLOYD, LOUIS LOCHNER, NOLA LUXFORD, ELSIE MCCORMICK, FARLEY MANNING, LEO and Sally ARGOLIN, B. METHIEU, DICK MASSOCK, EARL CHAPIN MAY, WILFRED MAY, MALCOLM MUIR, Jr., ADELE HAN, DOROTHY OMANSKY, GRETTA PALMER, JOSEPH PETERS, LEE PITT, E. C. POTTER, CHARLES ROBBINS, A RUFFNER, DOROTHY RUSSELL, MARION SANFORD, FRED ROSEN, ELLISEVA SAYERS, DAN SCHORR, DAVID FRIN, MIRIAM STUART, JACOBUS TEN BERGE, H. G. W. WOODHEAD, JOSEPH J. WURZEL, LOUIS WEINTRAUB. A door prize Newsweek's "History of our Times" won by MARY HORNADAY.

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